

Fine PM Source Test Method



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Project Goals

- **Quantify Course & Fine PM**
 - Use Dilution Sampling to Mimic Atmospheric Physics
 - Operationally Simple
 - Minimal Sample Location Limitations
- **Speciation of Particulate**
- **Minimize Pseudo Particulate Formation**

Description

- In Stack Particle Sizing
 - Large Cyclone Separates PM $>10\mu\text{M}$
 - Smaller Cyclone Separates PM $>2.5\mu\text{M}$
- Air Dilution Condenses Vaporous PM
 - Air is Filtered & Dehumidified
 - Sample is Diluted up to 30 to 1
- PM_{2.5} is collected on multiple filters

Competing Methodologies

- **U.S. EPA Test Methods**
 - Preliminary Method 004 (M201A +2.5)
 - Method 202
- **State Test Methods**
 - More Than Four Variants
 - Similar to Method 202
- **Research Methods**
 - More Than Six Variants
 - All Based on Dilution Sampling

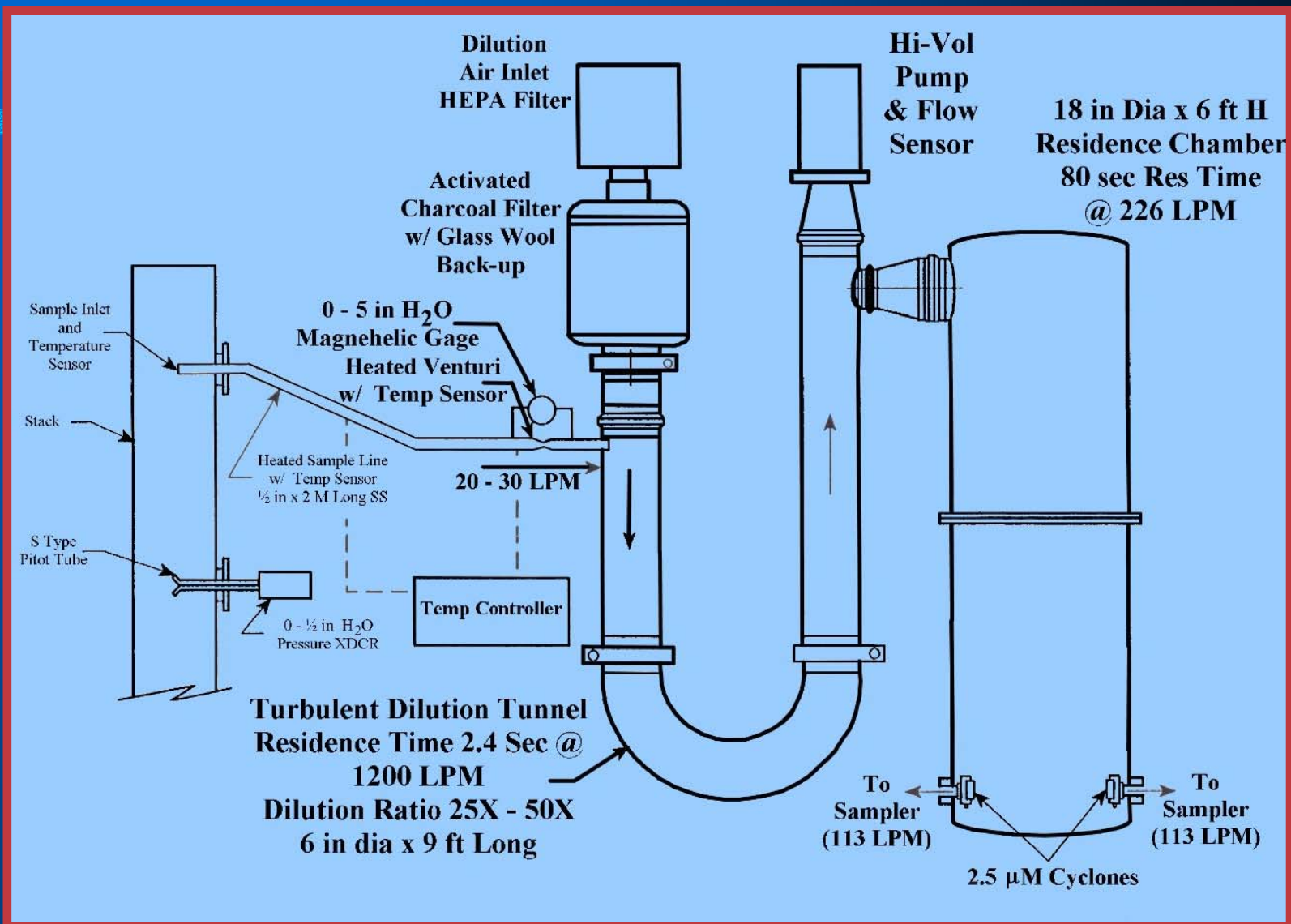
EPA Reference Methods

- EPA Pre Method 4 & Method 202
- Strengths
 - Compact
 - Uses Existing Sampling Systems
 - Applicable to Almost All Sources
- Weaknesses
 - Optional Procedures Allowed
 - Potential Biases

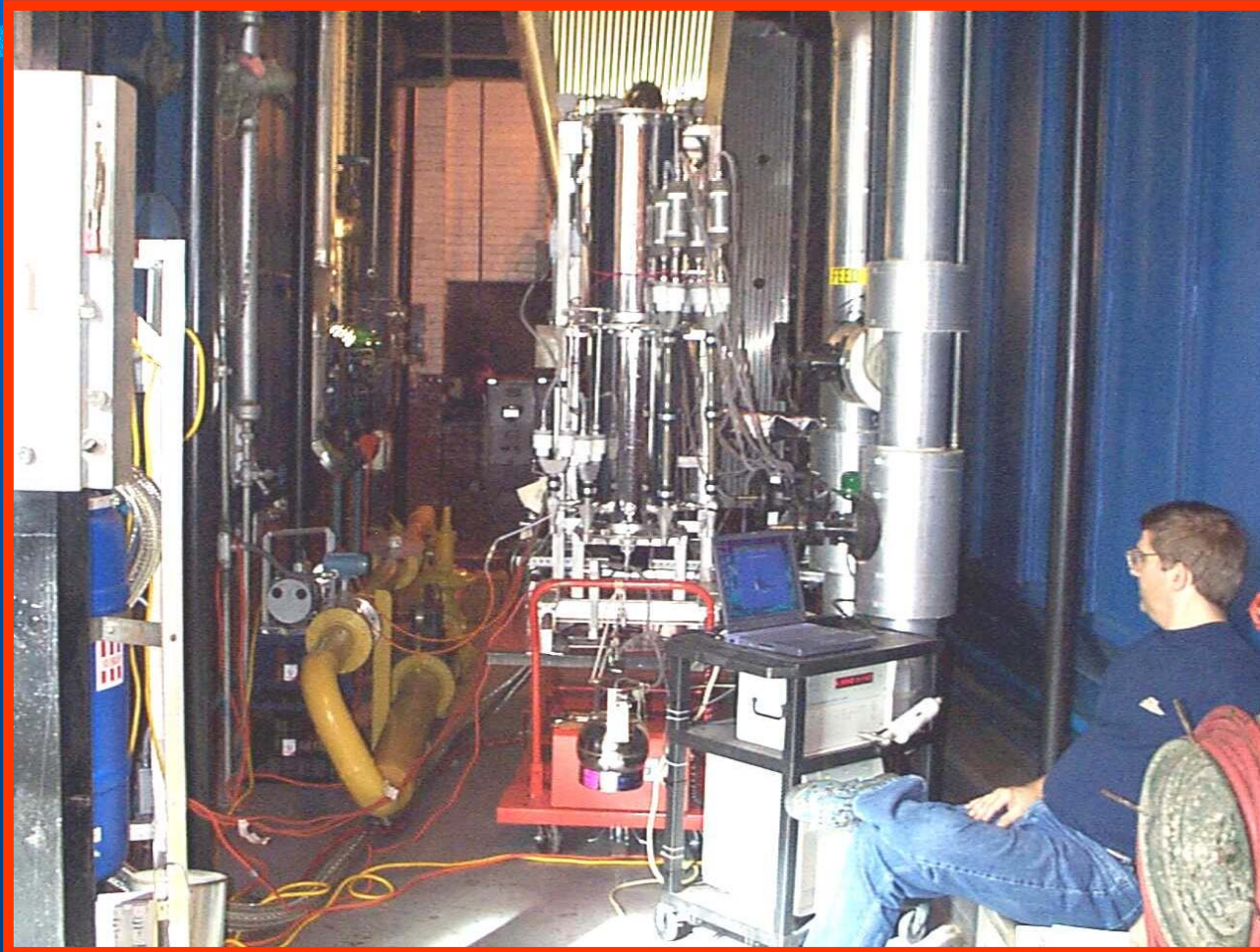
Existing Dilution Methods

- **More than Six Variants**
 - With/Without Stack Particle Sizing
 - Different Residence Times
 - Dilution Ratios
- **Strengths**
 - Condense Particulate by Dilution
- **Weaknesses**
 - Heavy, Bulky, Complex

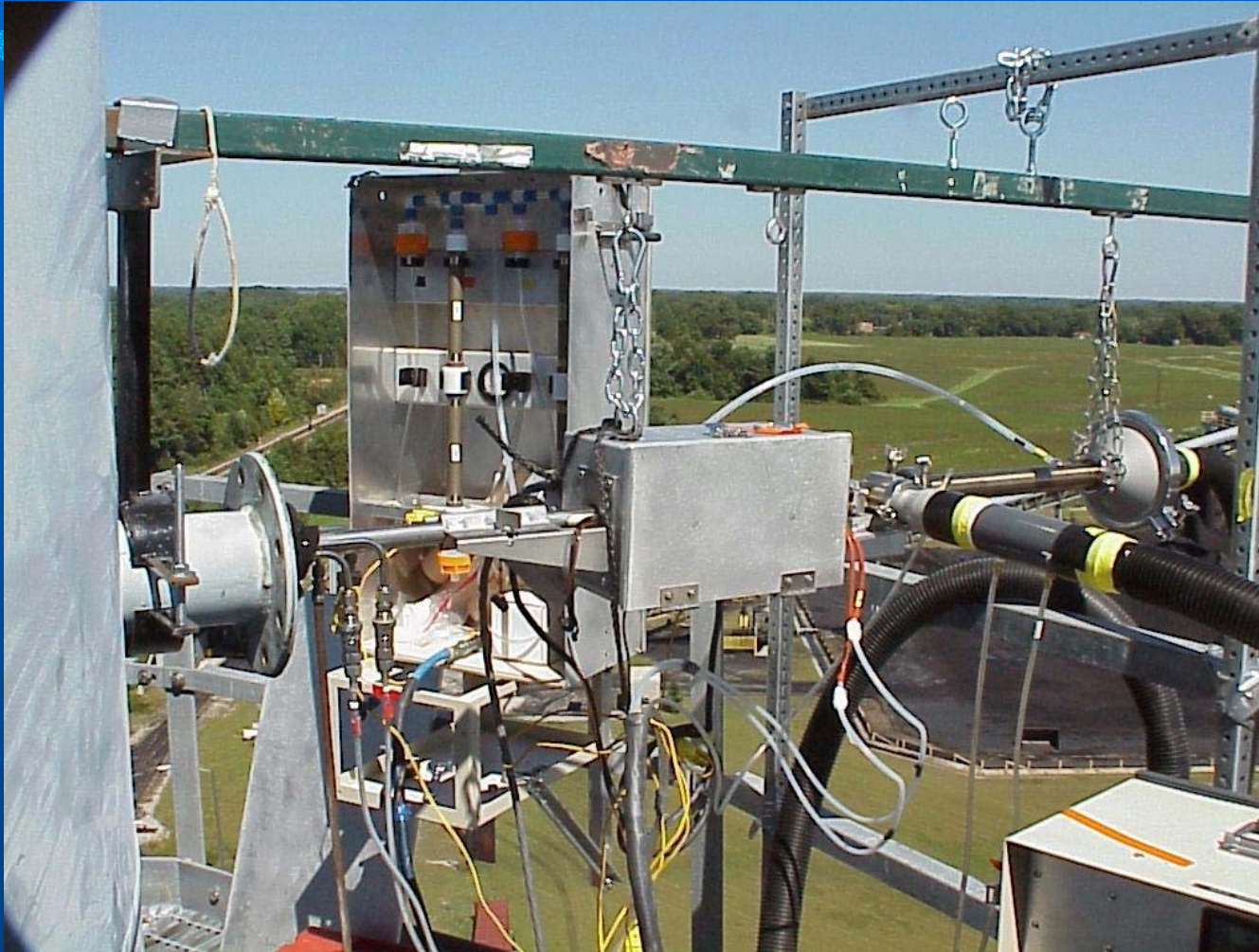
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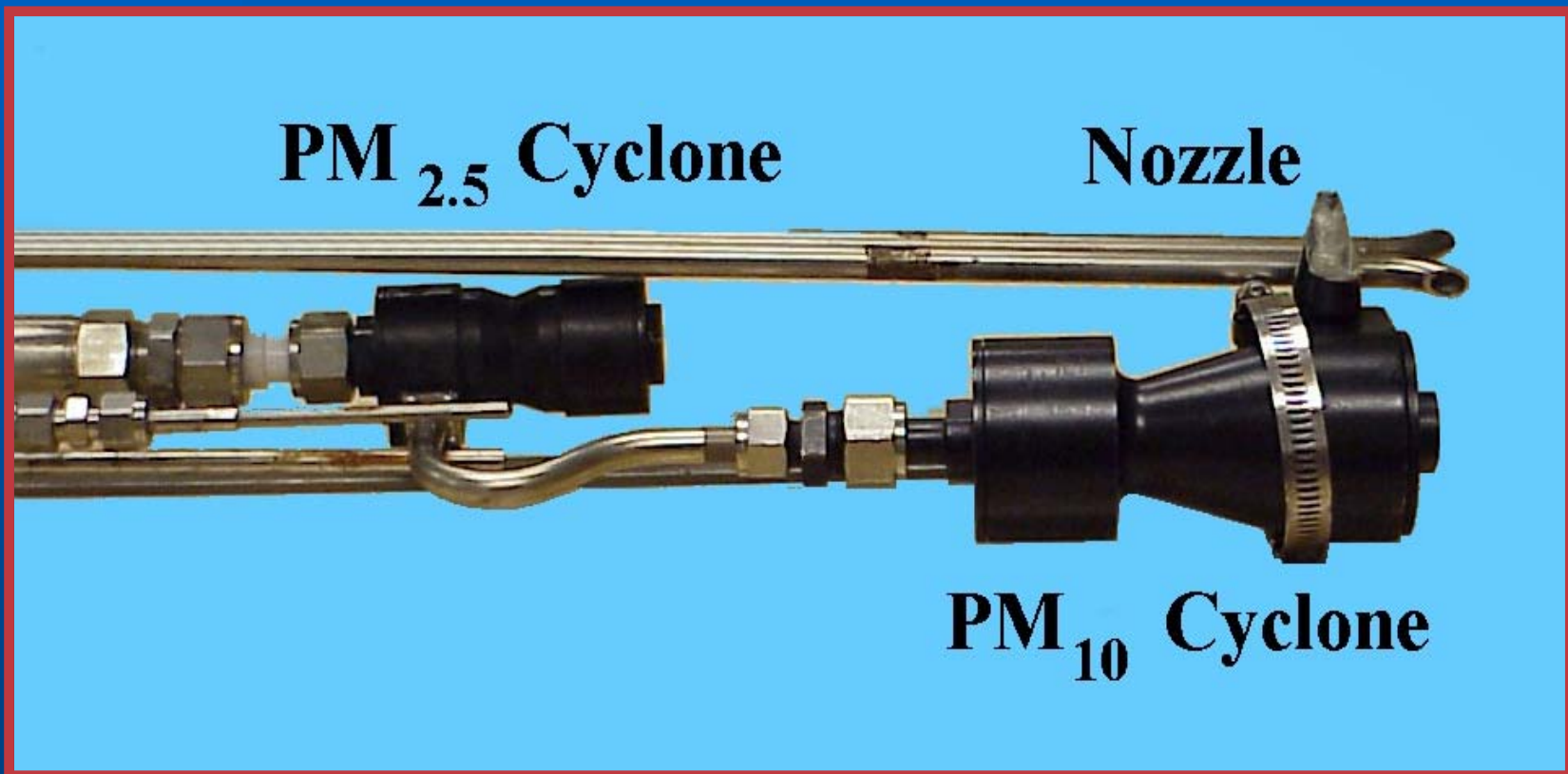
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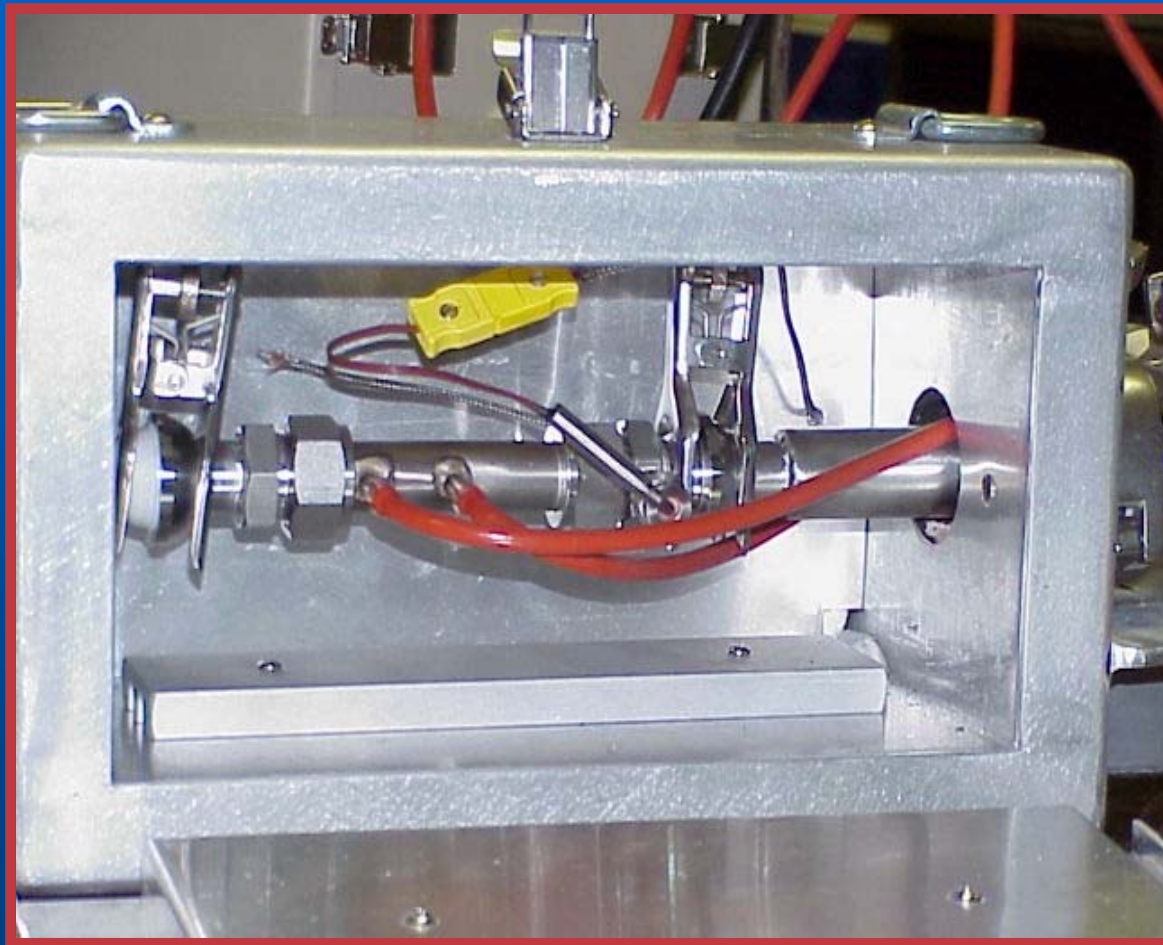
Existing Sampler



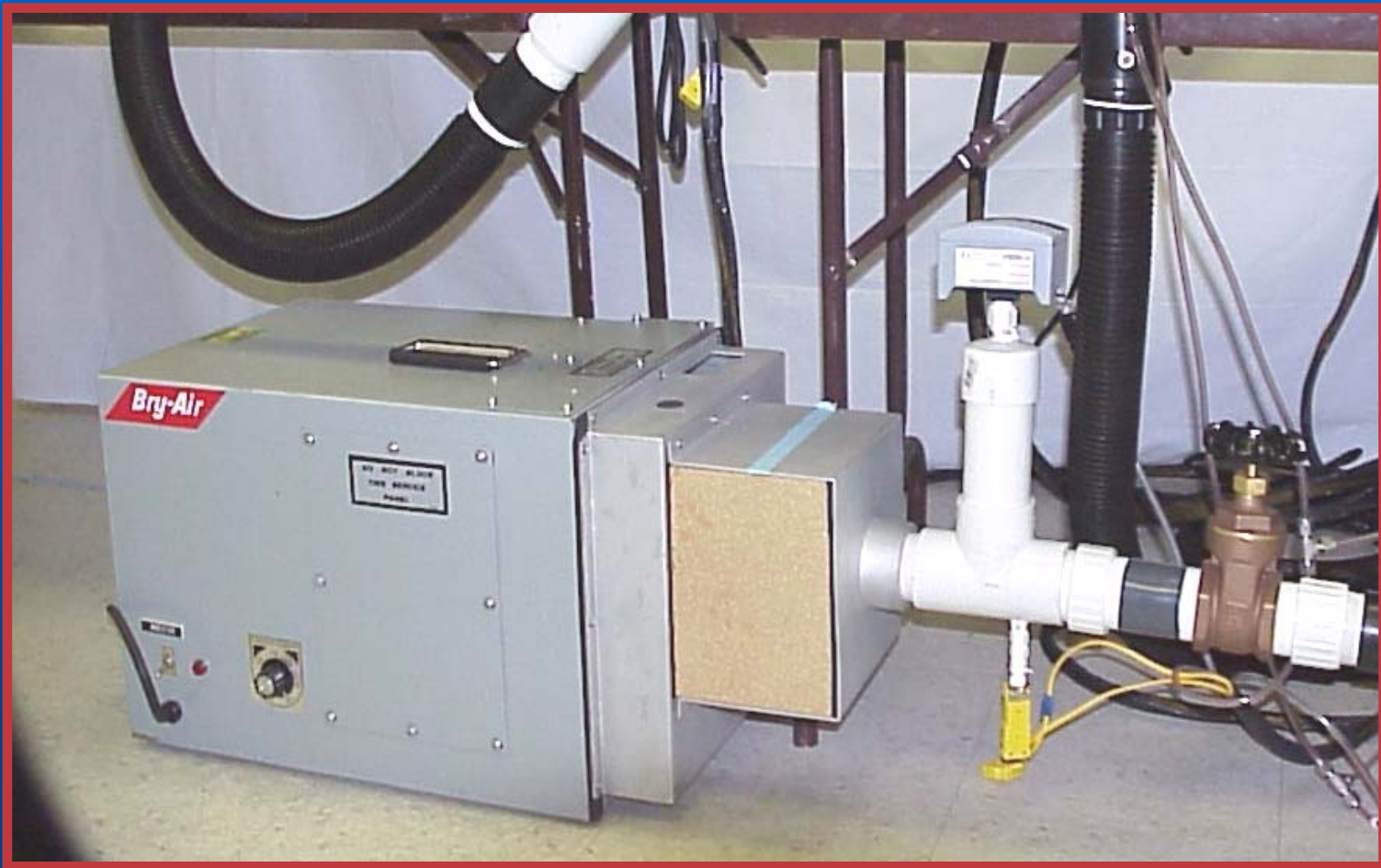
In Stack Particle Sizers



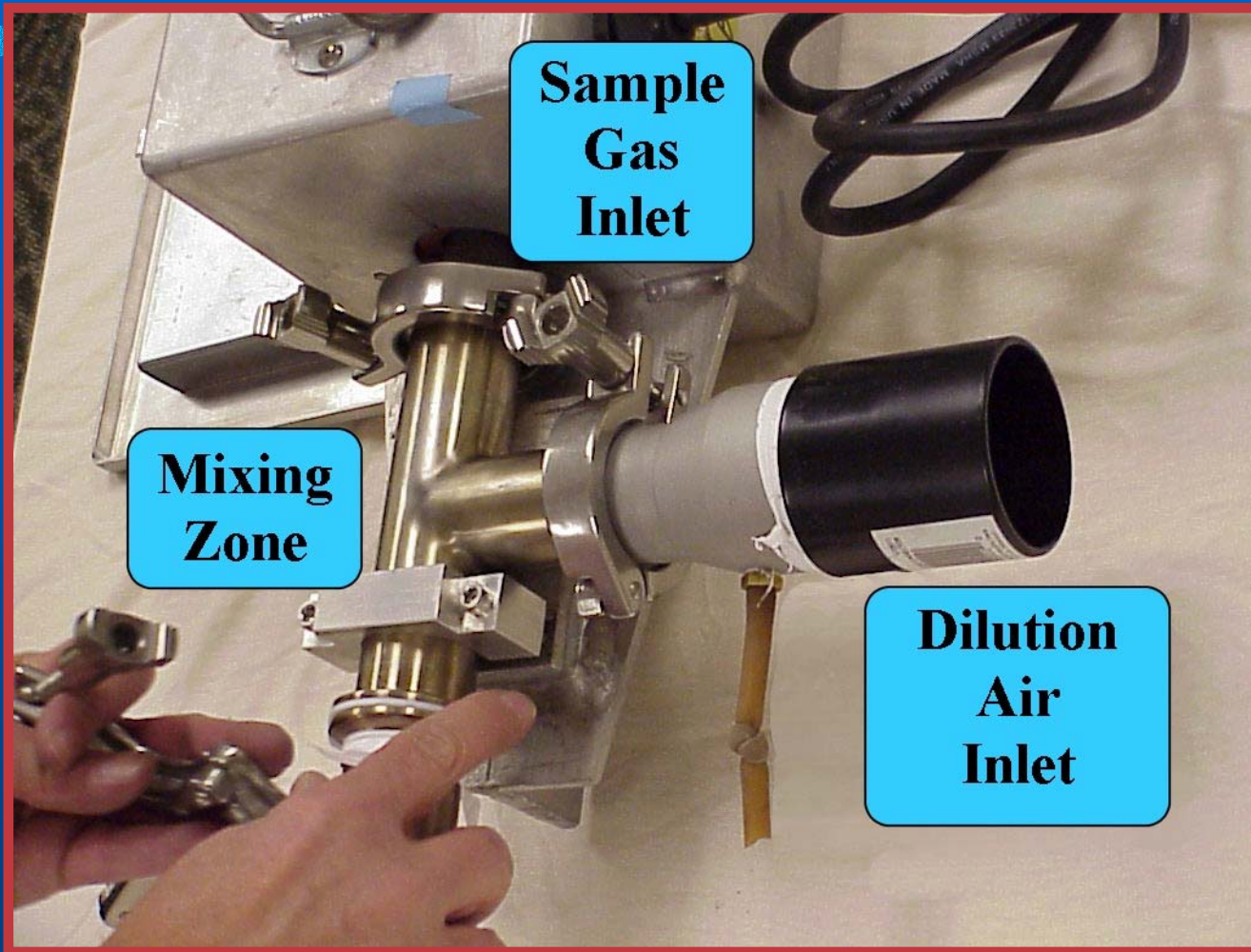
Heated Sample Venturi



Dehumidifier / HEPA Filter



Mixing Chamber

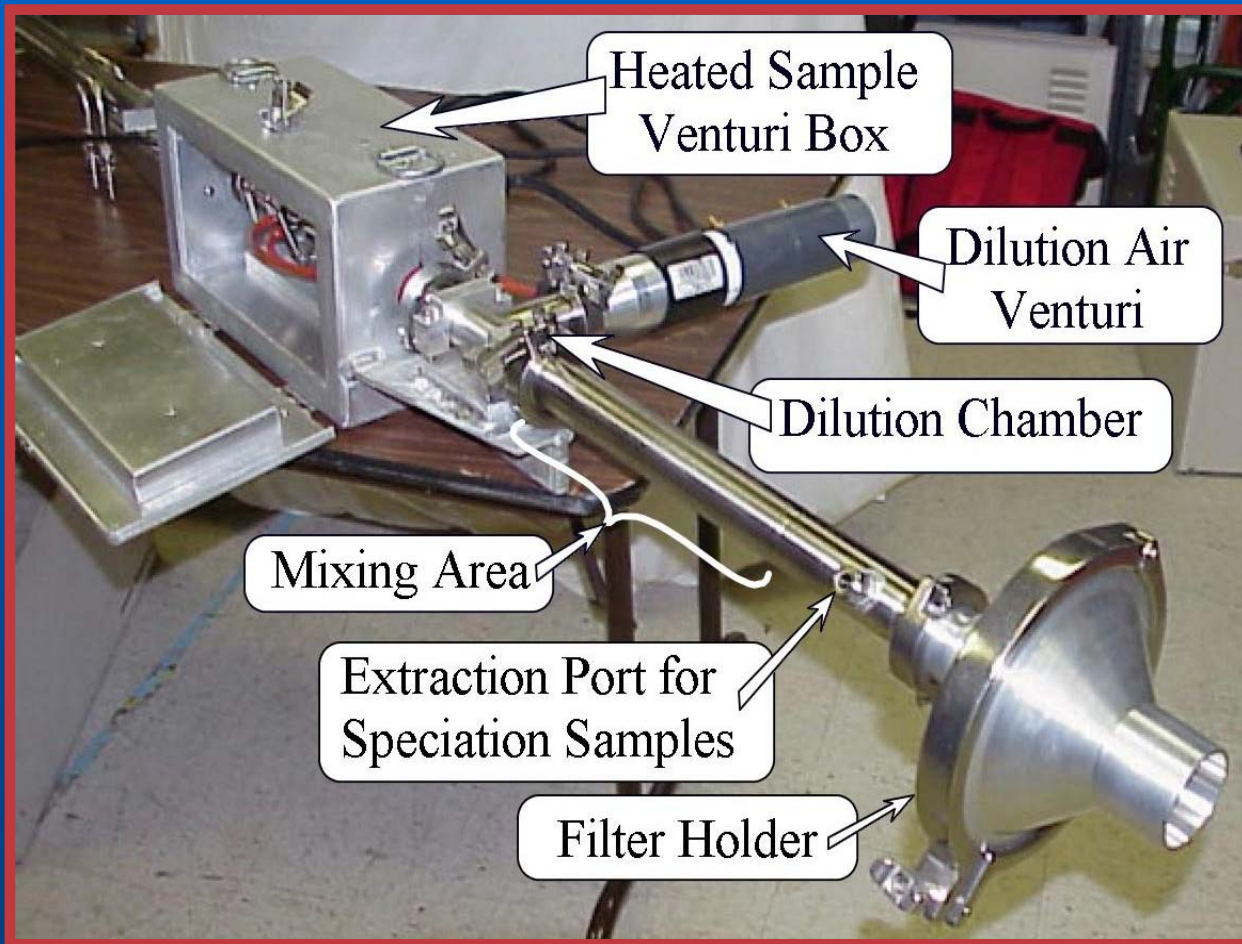


Dilution Air Mixer

Static Mixer

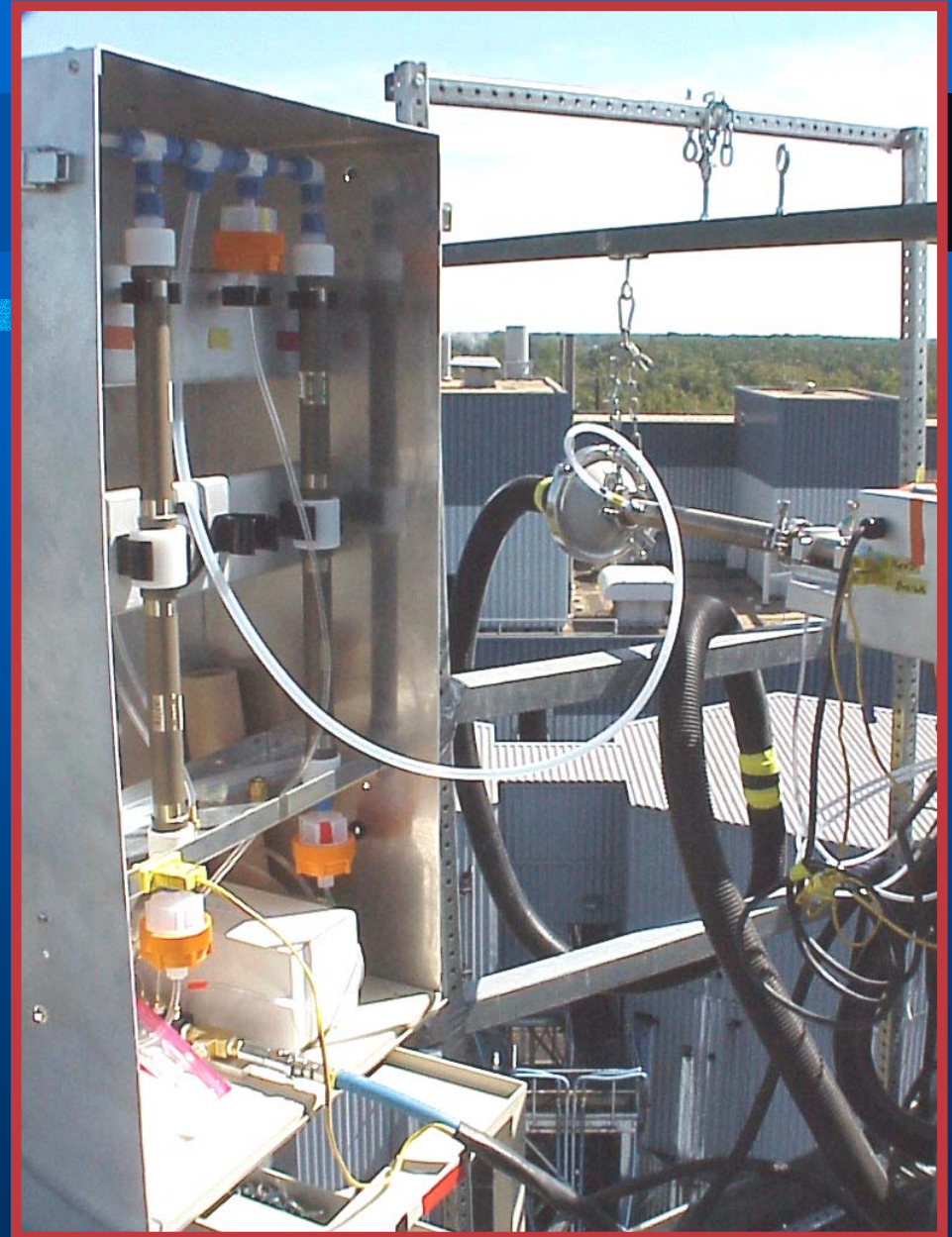


Major Components



Speciation Filter Module

- Aliquot of diluted sample extracted for speciation analysis
- Denuders used to remove potentially reactive gases



Schedule

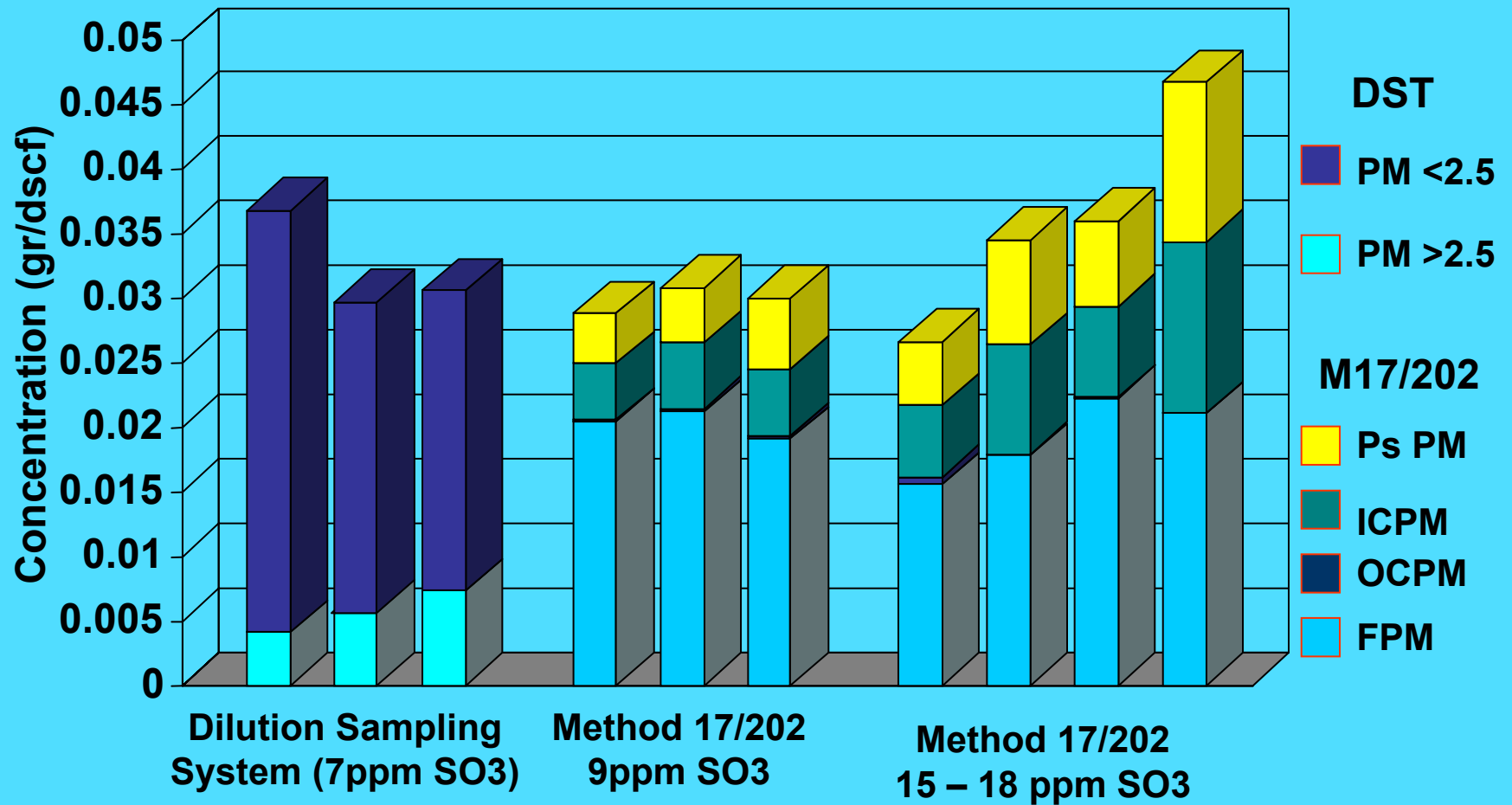
- Expected Need in FY 2004



Current Status

- **Completing Hardware Development**
 - Hardware Operates as Expected
 - Sample Rate Maintained
 - Isokinetics Maintained
 - Dilution Ratios Maintained
 - Temperatures Maintained
 - Have Partial Preliminary Results from 2nd Hardware Shakedown Test
- **Planning Comparison Tests**
 - Pre M4 & Method 202
 - Modified URG Dilution Sampler

Preliminary Results of Second Test



Operating OAQPS Sample Train

